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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Paolo DARIO et al.
Serial No. : 10/581,660
Filed : June 3, 2006
For : ENDOSCOPIC SURGERY DEVICE
Group Art Unit : 3734
Examiner : Jennifer Lea Hornberger
Confirmation No. : 3944

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that a Corrected Filing Receipt be issued in the captioned Application. As indicated in the enclosed copy of the Filing Receipt, on page 1, under "Assignment For Published Patent Application", the NAME and ADDRESS of the ASSIGNEE should read - - MICROTECH S.R.L., PISA, ITALY - -, **not** "MICROTECH S.R.L., 56010 VICOPISANO (PISA), ITALY, ITALY". (bold emphasis added). A copy of the Recordation Form Cover Sheet, Form PTO-1595, as filed, correctly showing the Assignee name is attached.

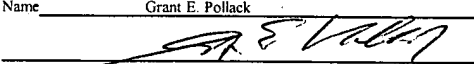
In addition, under "Foreign Applications", the Priority Application should read - - ITALY FI2003 A 000310 12/03/2003 - - rather than "EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE (EPO) 03028321.2 12/09/2003". A copy of the Letter Re Priority, as filed, accurately identifying the Priority Application is included with this Request.


Finally, on page 2 of the Filing Receipt, the "Title" should read - - Endoscopic Surgery Device - - instead of "Endoscopic surgery device for the haemostatic insertion and recovery of a plug at the surgical site". A copy of the Preliminary Amendment, as filed, showing the Title of the Application, as originally amended is attached.

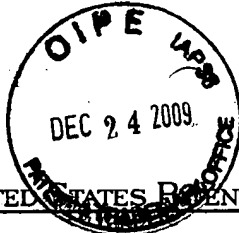
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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

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Foreign Applications

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ITALY FI2003 A 000310 12/03/2003

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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/581,660**

Projected Publication Date: 05/24/2007

Non-Publication Request: No

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Title

Endoscopic surgery device ~~for the haemostatic insertion and recovery of a plug at the surgical site~~

Preliminary Class

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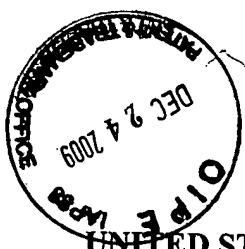
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LETTER RE PRIORITY

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby claim priority of ITALIAN Patent Application No. FI2003 A 000310, filed
DECEMBER 3, 2003, through International Application No. PCT/IT2004/000643, filed November
23, 2004.

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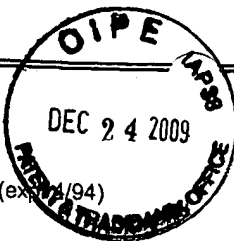
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the captioned Application as follows:

The **Amendments To The Specification** begin on page 2.

The **Amendments To The Abstract** begin on page 8.

The **Amendments To The Claims** begin on page 9.

The **Remarks** begin on page 13.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend page 1, paragraph 1, to read as follows:

ENDOSCOPIC SURGERY DEVICE ~~FOR THE HAEMOSTATIC~~
~~INSERTION AND RECOVERY OF A PLUG AT THE SURGICAL SITE~~

Please amend page 1, paragraph 2, to read as follows:

[DESCRIPTION]

Please amend page 1, paragraph 3, to read as follows:

- - FIELD OF THE INVENTION - -

[Field of the Invention]

The present invention relates generally to [the field of] surgical instruments [intended for use mainly, but not exclusively, for endoscopic surgery (laparoscopy, thoracoscopy etc.), including hand-assisted laparoscopy. More specifically the invention relates] and, more particularly, to [a] devices for [the insertion and the recovery of a plug at the surgical site which can be used during] surgery performed by endoscopic procedure and the like.